### THE NEWS OF NORTH CAROLINA

### GREAT DEMAND FOR RURAL DELIVERY

Little Prospect for an Independent Paper in Greensboro.

#### LARGE SALES OF TOBACCO

Effinnesota Capitalists Are Interested in the Pine Hill Gold Mine Property. Sale of Tract Adjoining the Oak Hill Mine.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

GREENSBORO, N C., December 11. It is not probable that any of the rural postal routes approved in Guilford county will be put in operation before March tst, as it is first necessary for Congress to pass an emergency appropriation bill before money is available to pay the car-The demand for this service has been so great that the appropriation for the current fiscal year has already been about exhausted.

H. Whitaker, who was at the head F. H. Whitaker, who was at the head of the independent forces during the last campaign, returned this morning to he home in Halifax county, after spending a few days at the Benbow. Mr. Whitaker speaks very doubtfully about the establishment of an independent morning paper in Greensboro at this time, but says he is willing to put some of his money

into it.
A prominent tobacconist, speaking of the local market, said to-day that one warehouse had sold more tobacco during the four months of the current tobacco year than was sold on this maarket the whole of last year.

of last year.

MOVE TO GREENSBORO. MOVE TO GREENSBORO.

Judge R. C. Strudwick and family, of
Seattle, Wash, will come to Greensboro
to live. Judge Strudwick has accumulated much property in the West, but he
wants to spend the remainder of his days
to his pating Sixta.

wants to spend the remainder of the days
in his native State.

Rev. S. H. Cummings, of Baltimore,
Md., is in the city in the interest of the
World's Temperance Union. He will
make arrangements for two or three
meetings in this city. Mr. Cummings has
keen chapiain of the Maryland Senate. Mr. M. A. Popkiss, manager of the Deep River Gold Mining Company, has purchased the Johnson property adjoining the Cak Mill mine, and will renew the mining at that place.

The party of gentlemen from Minnesota, who were to visit Greenshore early in the menth in the interest of the Pine Hill Gold Mine, in Randolph county, postponed their trip until later in the month. At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Murray, three miles east of the city, their daughter, Miss Maggie Murray, and Mr. Thomas B. Richmond, of Orange county, were married yesterday. The High Point Enterprise, in an effort to keep sten with the progressive march of the town, will issue a semi-weekly edition after January 1st.

Several hors have died in Eastern Guilford recently of a disease with which their owners are unfamiliar. ining at that place. PINE HILL GOLD MINE.

#### CANNOT FIND BISHOP

Charlotte Police Are Searching for the Man Who Shot Wilson.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. II.—Forty-eight hours after the murder of Tem Wilson the whereabouts of A. L. Bishop Wilson the wheleasted of the as much a mystery as it was the night of the killing. It is certain he did not leave the city by train that night, nor leave the city by train that hight, nor is it probable that he has gone by train since, as he is well known and would have been culckly recognized. The police are still searching every suspected pace in the city, but with no success thus far. In the city, but what Bishop is still in the it is believed that Bishop is still in the city, and his friends here are conceal-It is believed that Bisapp is skill in the city, and his friends here are concealing him. However, somet or later he must be captured. The funeral of the murdered man was held this morning. Sporting circles here are agog over the bull fight which is schoduled to take place to-morrow just across the South Carolina line. The event will be pulled off at the home of R. F. Thomason, a prosperous farmer, and seating accommodations have been arranged for eight hundred. The feature of the affair will be a fight to the finish between two thoroughbord Jersey bulls. Other minor events will be a scrap between two bull pups and several cock fights. The poice are saying nothing, but there may be some trouble ahead for the sports.

The trial of Lawrence Pulliam, excashier of the defunct First National Bank of Asheville, began to-day in the

The trial of Parking The trial of the defunct First National Bank of Asheville, began to-day in the Federal Court here. But one witness was examined, and his testimeny was of a technical nature. Pulliam is charged with embezzling seven thousand dollars of the bank's funds.

#### WINSTON-SALEM FIRE

Four Buildings Burned With Loss of \$175,000-Insurance \$119,150.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., Dec. 11. Winston was visited by a \$170,000 fire his morning. The insurance cairled on reperty destroyed aggregates \$119.150. the fire started on the third floor of the L. A. Vaughn Knitting Mill, on Cherry Street, and the walls were falling in when the fire department arrived upon the scene. This and three other three-story brick buildings were burned

Mr Vaughn's loss is \$10,000 with \$6,500 insurance on machinery, stock, etc. The building was owned by E. L. Lockett and cost \$18,000, insured for \$4,000. Whitaker Harvey Company, tobacco manufacturers, loss \$50,000. Insurance on stock, fixtures and building, \$33,500. Lipfert, Scales and Company, stock of leaf tobacco, insured for \$56,000, loss very small. The tobacco was stored in Dalton Farrow Company's building, which cost \$5,000, insurance \$4,500. There was no insurance on tobacco machinery

Ogburn Hill and Company had \$10.000 insurance on one hundred thousand pounds of leaf tobacco stored in a blick ville, Va. Building cost \$9,000, insured for \$3,000. The fire is one of the most disastrous in the history of the town. building owned by J. B. Mc Only twenty-five or thirty horsheads of tobacco were saved.

#### HIGH POINT FACTORIES

Several New Enterprises for the Thriving Furniture Town.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) HIGH POINT, N. C. December 11.— High Point is to have a factory for the manufacture of picture framing, mould-ing and various novelties. The so-called bright and the promoter from the other factories for town will be used up in this work. A gentleman from the North, who has relatives here and has come here for his basith, is the promoter of this new enter-

purchased on which to erect the build-ings. The capital stock will be large. The following party from this place will attend the Furniture Exposition at Grand Rapids, Mich., and Chicago, which takes place in January: Messrs. W. G. Brad-shaw, F. N. Tate, Charles Rusan, A. a., Tate, A. H. Millis, S. L. Davis, Wilber

Jones and J. J. Farriss.

Another new enterprise which will begin operation next spring is a factory for the manufacture of trolley cars.

#### JUDGE BOYD'S CHARGE

Trial of Registrars in Federal Court Moved from Charlotte to Statesville. (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

CHARLOTTE, N. C., December II.—It has now been definitely settled that the cases against the Democratic registrars will not be tried in Charlotte. It is thought these charges will be heard at the next session of the Federal Court at Statesville. The grand jury here has returned true bills in all of the four cases in delivering his charge to the granditry, Judge Boyd concluded as follows:
"Although it is the province of the State to prescribe the qualification for voter, yet when the State has done so very person possessing the qualification eccemes both a State and a Federal elec-or, and is entitled if he chooses to regster and vote both in State and in national elections. The right to register and vote, therefore, accruing to the citizen, being thus a Federal right, the Federal Constitution and laws undertake to protext the citizen in the exercise of the ight and to prevent discrimination against ann on account of his race, color or pre-rious condition of servitude. If, thereore, a registrar or any other election flicer entrusted with the administration of the election laws does discriminate gainst a man who applies to register or

against a man who applies to register or to vote because of the fact of his color, that would be a violation of the criminal laws of the United States.

"The law requires the election officer to apply uniform tests to all classes, and if the registrar or other officer applied one test to white persons and then wilfully, with a design to discriminate against him, applied a higher and more difficult test to a colored person, because of his color, this would be an unlawful discrimination and violative of the spirit and purposes of the law, and also violative of the criminal law of the United States. This would be true although the officer committing the act may claim to have done so under color of the State law."

#### TWINS IN CONCORD

Recent Census Puts it Away Ahead of

Greensbaro. (Special Dispatch to The Times.) CONCORD, N. C., Dec. 11 .- The recent school census shows that the number of children of school age in Concord Is unusually large in proportion to the total population of the city. Some weeks ago correspondent writing from Greenshoro. gave the number of white children of school age in that city as about 1,963, and 1.283 negro children of school age; a total of 3.246, which included ten pairs of twins These figures were given as an evidence of the growth of that city. Although Greensboro is supposed to be considerably larger than Concord, the latter has 3,154 hool children, of whom 2,612 are white, while only 542 are negroes. And in this 3154 children there are nineteen pairs of wins. Concord has more than doub its population in the last ten years The total school census of Cabarrus county is 9,525, of whom 6,565 are outside of Con-

New Depot for Gold-boro.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) GOLDSBORO, N. C., December 11.-At the last regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen a resolution was passed re-questing the executive officers of the several railroads entering the city to me with the beard at a special session to be held in this city the 8th of January next the object of which will be to enter into full discussion in regard to a pas-senger depot, which has long been needed in this city for the convenience of the

Interesting A mouncement.

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(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

THOMASVILLE, N. C., December II.—
Cards have been issued by Mr. Thomas
F. Harris, of Thomasville, announcing
the marriage of his daughter, Miss Masgle Harris, to Mr. J. T. Henry, on December 23d. Professor Henry had charge
of the West Durham graded school for
three years. Two years ago he was
elected principal of the graded schools
at Thomasville. This year he is headat Thomasville. This year he is head-master of the Trinity high school in Handolph county. Miss Harris is a young lady who is councited with a very prominent family of Davidson county.

Largest in the South.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) MEBANE, N. C. December II.—The White Furniture Company has decided to place a siding around their plant, which he Manufacturers' Record announced to be the largest in the South. The fac-tories, as they have just been consoll-dated, cover more than 115,003 feet of floor space, and besides this the company owns three lumber plants near by. The force at work here is to be increased greatly.

Welcomed From Lexington.

(Saccial I snatch to The Times,) TAYETTEVILLE, N. C., December II.
The Rev. T. A. Hall, of Lexington, Va.,
the new pastor of the First Baptist
Church, has been extended a very cordial
velcome in this city. His first services
were made the occasion of addresses of come by the other pastors of the city, all denominations joining in the service.

### TWO YOUNG GIRLS HAVE DISAPPEARED

#### No Clue to Their Whereabouts. Their Absence Causes Sensation at Asheville,

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) ASHEVILLE, N. C., December 11 .- Two pretty young girls, Bonnie Jones, aged thirteen, and Lethia Kuykendall, aged fourteen, have disappeared from their homes, and every effort to learn their whereabouts has been futile. The town and surrounding country has been thoroughly searched by both city and county officers, but no ciue whatever to the missing girls has been obtained.

Bonnie Jones is the daughter of Deputy Marshal Cal. Jones. Lethia Kuykendall is the daughter of Nathan Kuykendall, a carpenter. The girls were last seen Tuesday night about 9 o'clock crossing the public square, Both had changed their clothing. They had always worn

# GOOD REPORTS

The State Convention is in Session in Durham.

#### THE REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

Very Large-List of the Officers Elected.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
DURHAM, N. C., December H.-The
State Baptist Association organized and got down to business this morning.

The roll call showed three hundred and seven delegates present. Some four hun ared more came in to-day, and the ca ared more pacity of the church is taxed to the

timost.

The chair appointed H. A. Foushee,
Rev. Baylus Cade, H. A. Reams, A. D.
Hunter, J. A. Oats, Baxter Durham and
J. M. Hilliard a Committee on Enrollment. Rev. R. H. Marsh was unaniment. Rev. R. H. Marsh was unanimously elected president to succeed himself in the position he has held for eleven years. W. F. Fry, A. E. Brown, C. Cobb. W. W. Hart, J. B. Carlyle and J. R. Broughton were appointed to name the remaining officers. This committee made the following report, which was adopted: Vice-Presidents, S. McIntrye, Lumberton; R. W. Winsten, Durham; C. B. Justice, Rutherfordton; Secretary, N. B. Broughton, Raleigh; Assistant Secretary, H. C. Moore, Newberne; Treasurer, Wal-

Broughton, Raleigh; Assistant Secretary, H. C. Moore, Newberne; Treasurer, Walters Durham, Raleigh; Assistant Treasurer, J. M. Stover, Asheville; Auditor, J. B. Martin, Raleigh; Corresponding Secretary, Livington Johnston, Raleigh; Trustees, W. C. Tyree, Raleigh; C. M. Cock, Louisburg; F. P. Hobgood, Oxford; T. H. Briggs, Raleigh, and L. R. Miller, Walte Forest

Wake Forest.

ADDRESS OF WEI COME.

Judge R. W Winston, who made the address of welcome, was especially felicitious in his expression of Durham's greeting, and held close attention. He was happily responded to by Mr. F. P. Hobgord, Jr., of Oxford.

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Messrs, F. P. Hobgood, J. B. Boone, W. W.
Jones, I. Johnston, W. C. Collum, T. N.
Johnston and A. E. Brown, was appointed before adjournment, and presented
a programme for to-day's work.

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On the platform last night were several we'l known ministers, Thomas Dixon, Sr., father of the author of "The Leopard's Spots;" Dr. W. C. Tyree, G. T. Watkins, H. A. Brown, C. S. Blackwell, J. A. Sradely, J. N. Prestridge, R. H. Marsh. The second day's session of the Bartist State Convention closed to-night. The opening ceremonies were conducted by Rev. G. T. Watkins, of Royboro, A committee was appointed to report or the Baptist orphanage at Thomasvike. A subscription was teken for it, and eared for, and 23 more are promised admittance in next thirty days. Judge Wirston said that if asked what North Carolinian he would rather be, living or dead, he would answer unhesitating

LARGE ATTENDANCE.

To-night a tremendous crowd assem-bled at the church to hear the report

A large number of delegates reached here this afternoon. The attendance to-day was very large. Many of the lead-ing members say that it is larger than for years on the first day. The per-sonnel of the convention is of very high

The paramount question before the As-The parameunt question before the Association is the organization of secondary Boptist schools, so that they will work for Wake Forest College and the Female Seminary at Raleigh A strong fight is expected on this proposition. An attempt will also be made to establish Baptist schools in each district in the State.

In connection with the Association the Baptist Women's Missionary Society is

eral Lee's headquarters during the war, is here, and will preach to the R. F. Webb Camp of Confederate Veterans in Trinity Church on Sunday, after which he will go to Richmond, where he has accepted a call. The camp will attend in body and in marching order.

#### FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

North Carolina is Doing Great Things for its Erlucational System.

day completed the apportionment of the first \$100,000 of the State appropriation of \$200,000 to the public schools of the State on the basis of 15 cents per capita for 678,509 children, this requiring \$101,-789.85, the additional \$1,789.85 being taken from interest derived by the State Board of Education from the swamp land fund. It is announced the eighty-seven counties have 468 rural school libraries, with 22.840 books, costing \$12.240. There are ten counties with no rural school Horaries, and \$920 is still available for this purpose in the State treasury of the original \$5,000 appropriation two

years ago.

In the course of a compilation of school statistics in the office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruc-

children, 6,450 white, and 4,731 colored; in 1902, the same county reports only 7,848 children, 4,766 white and 3,082 col-ored, showing a decrease of 3,293 from last year in the total number of both By races the white decrease is

It will require two or three years to complete the soil survey maps basis on the survey already completed in this State. The survey has been completed or partially completed in about twenty-five counties. It has cost the Agricultural Department something like \$15.0.0. It is a great and valuable work. For every dollar the department has expended upon it the United States has expended ed another dollar. A strip along the ways between here and Morehead is surveyed and mapped. Much of the work westward between here and Ashe-

week was the dance at the Olivia Raney Library this evening, complimentary to the visitors at the Thorps-Young wed-ding. It was largely attended and had been looked forward to by the social world. Among the young ladies present were Miss Augusta Talcott, of Rich-mond, and Miss Melissa Payne, of Nor-folk.

The Secretary of the State authorizes the increase of the capital stock of the Columbus Telephone Company, of White-ville, Columbus county, from \$10,000 to \$20,000.

#### FALSE RETURNS CHARGED

Divorced Wife Witness Against Husband in Bankruptcy Proceedings.

band in Bankruplcy Proceedings.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

RALEIGH, N. C., December II.—A sensation developed to-day in the Federal Court here, the grand fury having returned a true bill against W. H. Arrington, of Nashville, N. C., that he made false return in schedules which he filed in voluntary bankruptcy.

His divorced wife, it is officially learned, went to Nashville and got from the tax lists the amount of property which he returned for taxation, which did not agree with that on the schedules he filed. Sho made another visit there and says figures had been changed. She was a witness before the grand jury to-day, with a certified statement from the clerk of Nash County Court as to the property listed by Arrington for taxation.

#### SCHOOL FIRE DRILL

It Prevents a Panic and Preserves Or der in a Wilmington School.

der in a Wilmington School.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
WILMINGTON, N. C., December 11—
By some means yesterday morning about
9 o'clock an elbow pipe of the furnace
of the heating plant at the Hemenway
school building came loose and fell off.
An immense volume of smoke poured
cut, and this created the impression that
like building was on fire.

cut, and this created the impression that the building was on fire. When the fire alarm was given the children had assembled in the auditorium for the opening exercises of the school. They are thoroughly trained, however, and when the alarm sounded, without exception, they patiently awaited orders until the cause of the alarm was anothing and that there was no danger. Wilmington Lodge of Elks have decided to give a Christmas tree and dinner to

to give a Christmas tree and dinner to the children of Wilmington and vicinity, and are new making arrangements for the occasion.

No Longer an Evangelist.

(Special Dispatch to T's Times.)

ASHEVILLE, N. C., December II.—Rev.
R. G. Pearson, the well known evangelist,
on account of ill-health, will retire from the work in which he has been engaged and has accepted the chair of English Fible and Evangelistic Methods in the Cumberland University, at Lebanon,

Wedding Cards.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
RALEIGH, N. C., December 11.—Wadding invitations have been issued an-nouncing the marriage of Miss Charity May Dowd to Mr. John Turner Mitchiner, Wednesday. December 21th, at Garner,

#### LATEST TIDINGS FROM THE ORIENT BY A STEAMER

(By Associated Press.)

VICTORIA, B. C. Dec. II.—According to mail advices received from the Orient by the steamer Empress of India, the high spring tides on the Yang Tse Kiang caused the sinking of forty junks on the Ith of November and the less of over sixty lives. The officers of a foreign warship counted twenty-two bodies floating past during one watch.

There is a dispute between the shareholders of the Tong Shan mines in Chili. The British and Belgians had hoisted their flags but the Chinese shareholders had the flags hauled down and the dragon day of China substituted. The foreigners attempted to lower the Chinese flag, but were prevented by Chinese troops. There was much excitement over the dispute.

#### RECIPROCITY WITH CUBA SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION

(By Associated Press.)

DETROIT, MICH. Dec. II.—Reciprocity with Cuba, shared with Canadian reciprocity, the attention of the deegates to the National Reciprocity Convention at their first session to-day, "Cuban Reciprocity" was discussed by

"Cuban Reciprocity" was discussed by Frank D. Pavey, of New York; Engene N. Foss, of Boston, made an address in favor of reciprocal relations with Canada. The report of the Committee on Resolutions will be made to day.

The resolutions it is understood, ask

The resolutions, it is understood, ask for ratification of the reciprocity treates negotiated by John A. Kasson and F. Hay-Bond, Newfoundland treaty, and will declare for the adoption of a reciprocity treaty with Canada, to be negotiated either through the reconvening of the sight high commission, or such of the joint high commission or such other way as seems best.

SOUR STO VACH (Acid Dyspepsia).

Now Recognized as the Cause of Serious Diseases.

Acid Dyspepsia, commonly called heartburn or sour stomach, is a form of indi-gestion resulting from fermentation of the food. The stomach being too weak to promptly digest it, the food remains until fermentation begins, filing the stomach with gas, and a bitter, sour, burning taste in the mouth is often present. This condition soon becomes chronic and being an every day occurrence is given but little attention. Because Dyspepsia is not immediately fatal, many people do nothing for the trouble.

It is now well known among able physicians that the whole constitution is gradually undermined and weakened that the nerves and vital organs are seriously affected by any form of dyspepsia. This food digested. If the food is properly digested the blood is pure, the nerves steady, but if supplied from a sour, fermenting, decaying mass, the blood is viviated, poisoned, and the result is shown in sleeplessness, lack of energy, poor appetite, nervousness, Every trifle is magnified and the dyspeptic sees nothing but the dark side of everything. fied and the dyspeptic sees nothing but the dark side of everything.

Within a recent period a remedy has tion, Chief Clerk Duckett has found a been discovered prepared solely to cure wide discrepancy between the report dyspepsia and stomach troubles It is on number of school children in Du-known as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, and plin county this year as compared with it is now becoming rapidly used, and last.

form of dyspepsia.

It is not claimed to cure anything except dyspepsia and stomach weakness in its various forms, but for this it has been shown to be unequalled. The eminent specialists Reed and O'Leary, have recently stated that they considered Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets an unfalling specific for disorders of the digestive organs, and the remarkable cures made in cases of long standing dyspepsia proves that this remedy has extraordinary merit shown to be unequalled. The eminent spe-

remedy has extraordinary merit.
Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets have been
placed before the public and are sold by druggists everywhere at 50 cents per package, and while it promptly and effectually restores a vigorous digestion, at the same time is perfectly harmless, and will not injure the most delicate stomach, but on the contrary, by giving perfect digestion, strengthens the stomach, im-proves the appetite and makes life worth ر د خشید در منت

### ST. LOUIS BILL NOW A DEAD CERTAINTY

Will Be Reported by the Senate Committee To-Day.

#### MANY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Chesapeake and Its Tributaries to Have Up Jordan Bills-Courts of Justice on Campbell Case-Whitehead-Lambeth Contest-Gossip.

It looks as if the bill to appropriate \$50,000 to the St. Louis Exposition for a Virginia exhibit there will have become law by this time next week.

The House has, by an overwhelming vote, endorsed the measure without prendment, and it is now before the Senate Committee on Finance, which body wiii almost surely report it favorably this morning. It will pass the Senate without much opposition. The exhibit and all things relating thereto will be under the control of a commission composed of force members, to be named by the Govrnor, one of whom shall be the Commissioner of Agriculture, and all the prop purchased for this affair shall be property of the State and returned here and put in the Department of Agriculture. The members of the commission shall have actual expenses, but no other compensation for their services. The Governor may in his discretion appoint one lady mana-In his discretion appoint one lady manager from each congressional district, who shall also serve without pay. No part of the appropriation shall be used for buildings, but all shall be devoted to preparing and purchasing the exhibit. The following sections set forth the salient features of the bill:

That said commission shall have author-

That said commission shall have authority to make rules and regulations for its guidance, and is hereby charged with the selection, purchase, preparation, transcortation, arrangement, installation, safekeeping, exhibition and return of such articles and material as best illustrate the natural and material resources and indus-trial and commercial development of the State; said articles and material to com-prise an exhibition of the products of the soil, mine forest and sea, and the arts, industries and manufactures of Virginia. That said articles and material, belonging to the State, shall, upon their return to the State, as herein provided, be deliv-ered by said commission to the Depart-

#### serve said articles and material until other provision shall be hereafter made. FURTHER DIVISION OF WORK

nent of Agriculture, and the Commissioner of Agriculture is hereby directed to pre-

Finance Committee of the House Makes Distribution. The Finance Committee of the two

Houses yesterday made the following dis-tributions of its work to subcommittee: Salaries, Secs. 183-193..... I Title 12. Public debt, secs. 333-436 .................................. 54

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63 Subcommittee: House-Rice, Biscoe. Senate-Chapman, St. Clair.

Change of Front.

There has been a change of front in the past few days on the question of the mode of choosing commissioners of the revenue, which promises to almost the revenue, which promises to almost certainly result in the choice of the popular election method.

At first it looked as if the plan for appointment by the circuit judges would prevail, but the popular election foces have pulled up apparently to a winning. have pulled up apparently to a winning point.

### Commissioners Here.

Hon. Henry Fairfax, of Loudoun, and Hon. Henry C. Stewart, of Russell members of the new Corporation Commission, are in the city and called upon His Ex-cellency, the Governor, yesterday. While here they will doubtless confer with

From what can be gathered on the sub-ject it is believed that the Legis-lature will adjourn for Christmas on Saturday, December 20th. The body will

likely reconvene on January 2, 1903. Meets This Afternoon, The Committee on Agriculture and Mining will meet this afternoon at 4

#### o'clock to consider some pending bills. ALLISON VS. ALLISON

Lawyers Will Finish Argument To-Day Fraternity Interested.

case of Allison vs. Allison, now the case of Amson vs. Alison, now before the Supreme Court, will be concluded to-day, it is thought. The argument went on all day yesterday. In the morning Mr. F. W. Carrian, of Christian and Christian, concluded his argument of the concluded his argument. tian and Christian, concluded his argument, and Messrs. Preston Cocke and C. V. Meredith, counsel for Mrs. Dora Moore, followed. Mr. Meredith did not conclude, but will resume upon the convenient of court this more in the convening of court this morning. Judge George L. Christian will conclude the

George L. Christian will conclude the argument for the appellant.

The case, involving an estate valued at nearly a million dollars, is attracting a good deal of attention, and lawyers are tain Wyatt, the meeting adjourned.

watching the case with considerable in-terest because of the nicety of the points

involved.

It is impossible to tell what thoughts the counsel on both sides have caused to cerebrate in the classical heads of the supreme judiciary. Their counte-nances, at least, tell nothing. Their opinion will be awaited and leanred with decided eagerness.

#### CHICKEN THIEVES

Many Fowls Have Been Stolen by Them Lately.

Chicken thieves are giving the police and certain residents of the Third District no little trouble of late, and it appears that a well organized gang of fowl robbers are now operating in the city, as a result of which the police are working overtime. Many fine chickens, turkeys and ducks have been stolen within the last few days. have been stolen within the last few days Only the night before last thieves broke the lock on the chicken house of Mrs. Galman of West Clay Street, near Mad-ison, taking away two fine, fat turkeys, five chickens and four ducks, leaving no clue as to their identity. However, the police are of the opinion that the parties were colored.

#### THIS MAN GREAT WALKER AT SIXTY-THREE YEARS

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) HAMBURG, PA., December 11.—Fran-cis Stayberger, aged sixty-three years, claims the walking championship for one of his age. On his sixty-third birthday, May 6th, he walked seventeen miles in four and three-quarter hours; On October lith he walked thirty-two miles in a single day. In a record kept for a period of twenty years, January 1, 1999, to Janof twenty years, January I, 1890, to Jan-uary 1 1880, he is shown to have walked a total of 67,000 miles, and claims he walked even more. Although the owner of a horse, he prefers walking to driving in his vocation as collector. He has been a justice of the peace for thry-two years, agent for an insurance comtwo years, agent for an insurance com-pany for twenty-eight years, and secre-tary of the Schuylkill Mutual Insurance for fourteen years. He has held minor offices in his township.

#### WILL TRY TO BREAK STUDENTS FROM BETTING

(By Associated Press.)
ANN ARBOR, MICH., Dec. 11,-Presi-ANN ARBOR, MICH., Dec. II,—Frest-dent Angell and the faculty of the Mich-igan University, have taken a decided stand against betting by the students un-der their jurisdiction. Wagers aggregat-ing about \$1,000, it is said, were posted at ing about \$4.600, it is said, were posted at one hotel here on Thanksgiving Day football game, and the rumor of this and of other large betting on similar events in which the University athletic teams have been contestants, having come to the university authorities, the faculty has adopted resolutions fixing suspension as the renalty for betting on any event in which university students shall participate in the future. future.

#### UNITED STATES SAILOR KILLED IN PORTO RICO

(By Associated Press.)

SAN JUAN PORTO RICO, Dec. 11.—
The sailor, Costello of the United States ship Wasp, whom the police shot Monday night in a row between a number of silest and the police and the police. of sailors and the police, died to-day. As a result of the row a sailor named Hibbs, belonging to the Wasp, was held for trial to-day before the District Court for assaulting the police lieutenant, Ca-breria, who was badly bruised by kicks and punches. The navy men are incensed at the action of the police and say the shooting of Costello was unwarranted, as the sailors were wholly unarmed.

They also claim that the sailors did not attack Cabreria until after he shot Costello.

Chess Club Challenge. (By Associated Press.) LONDON, Dec. 11.-A joint challenge has heen issued by the chess clubs of Oxford and Cambridge universities to the chess clubs of the universities of Harvard, Yale. Princeton and Columbia, for a cable m

defend the Rice trophy, to take place

# GEORGE B. ELLIOT CAPTAIN OF BLUES

in the spring of 1903.

#### Elected to Succeed Captain Spencer as Commander of Company B.

After the third trial to elect a captain for the vacancy caused by the resignation of Captain Thomas A. Spencer, Company B, Light Infantry Blues, chose Mr. George B. Elliott, a man outside of the ranks. Both Companies "A" and "B" asembled at the armory last night, and went through the tactics of a full dress battalion drill, Major Sol J. Cutchins in command.

The attendance was very good, and the men well drilled. Quite a number of la-dies were out to see the soldier boys go through the tactics, some of them maining until after the election was near-

placed in nomination, and the voting com-menced. After balloting three times on these two candidates it became apparent that under the existing conditions the se-lection would have to be postponed in-definitely. Both candidates were about equally favored by the members present, and have been at the two former eictions, which resulted in a deadlock. The first health in the two former eictions. ballot showed-Brock 22 votes, Hobson 18: second, Brock 22, Hobson 19; third, Brock

23. Hobson 20.

Realizing that there could be no solution to the problem a recess of five minutes was taken and consultation held be tween the members, which resulted in the whether we members, which resulted in the withdrawal of both names and the nomination of Thomas G. Correll and Mr. George B. Elliott, of the firm of Elliott & Hamilton. Only one ballot was taken on the new candidates, and Mr. Elliott was elected by a unanimous vote. A committee, composed of Messrs, Tate and Tucker, were appointed by Captain Wyatt to wait on Mr. Elliott and see if he would accept the office.

Elliott is a member of the law firm of Hamilton & Elliott, and is counsel for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad. He is a son of Warren G. Elliott, president of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad of Conthe Atlantic Coast Line Railroad of Connecticut. He is well versed in military matters, having been first captain of the V. M. I., from which school he was a graduate in 1892. He is also a graduate of the Harvard law school, and has had the degree of Bachelor of Law conferred upon him by that institution. He is very prominent in legal circles, and has a large following of friends.

After the election the men were addressed by Major Cutchins. He said that he was sorry to see that the men had to hold such a prolonged contest to fill the vacancy but regretted more than all that the vacancy occurred. He recommended

the vacancy occurred. He recommended Captain Spencer very highly and said that he had never seen a better officer than he had made. Good advice was given the men on their conduct, and the interest that they should

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#### At the Theatres.

No play of New England life has yet managed to capture the hearts of the city and country folks alike so effectually as "The Old Homestead," which comes to the Academy to-night and to-morrow matinee and night. Perhaps it's in the name, so remindful of some spot dear to every one, picturing a lovable old couple surrounded by happy young faces and warm-hearted, snowy-haired friends. with whom they have totled through life and hope to spend their last days. Perhaps one also remembers how a great trouble threatened to send grandfather and grandmother broken-hearted to their graves, and how the silver lining shone through the clouds before night

All have seen the human griefs and gladness, and it is "The Old Homestead" pictures that bring up other pictures made hely by association, and to laugh at the first is an excuse to mourn or rejoice with the second. Denman Thompson, as usual, heads the

comb, and that announcement, together with the fact that he has, if possible, a stronger company than ever, guaran-tees an excellent performance. "Ten Night in a Bar Room" will be the straction at the Academy on Monday night. The sale of seats opens at the

cast in his familiar role of Joshua Whit-

academy this morning. This drama depicts a series of trujt-ful scenes in the course of a drunkard's life. Some of them are touching in the extreme, soll some are dark and terrible. Step by top is portrayed the down-ward court of the tempting saloon keeper and his infatuated victim, until both are involved in hopeless ruin.

The audiences seem to be in full sym-rathy with the moral of the story, and

laugh at Sample Switchel sympathize with poor drunken Joe Morgan, and weep at the death of little Mary. Ten-Ichi, in his startling exhibition of ragic, Lockhart's Elephants, and the other good bits of the vaudeville bill at the Bijou this week, continue to hold

the boards before well pleased crowds. In "A Night Off," which will be presented at the Bijou the first three nights of next week by the George Fawcett Company, with Mary Shaw, there is a role which was played in the eoriginal production by May Irwin, long before she became famous. The role is that of a sentimental servant girl. Agness Frerett will have the role next work.

She is said to play it very well. One of the best attempts at the sensational in the atrenuous dramas in years is promised by the management of the Bliou in "Her Marriage Vow." which will be presented for the last three days of next week, beginning with a Thursday matinee. In one of the spectacular cli-maxes a collision of two fast express trains, while running in opposite directions at great speed in full view of the audience, is averted. This scene is said to be so thrillingly realistic and worked

#### up in such a way as to arouse the au-dience to wild enthusiasm. New Railroad.

Senator S. R. Donohoe, of Fairfax, is optimisastic over the fact that shortly Fairfax is to have direct railroad connecion with Washington, A charter was goten through the Legislature last year for he extension of the Washington and Falls hurch road to Vienna, and now the work s about to be begun. About half of the unds were raised by citizens of the county of Fairfax.

#### Miles to Visit Berlin.

(By Associated Press.) BERLIN, Dec. II.—General Miles, ac-companied by his aides, will arrive in Berlin via the Siberian Railway January 15th. He was presented to Emperor Wil-liam at the manoeuvres here in 1897, and will probably be received again if the eror is here when the General

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health, is the promoter of this new enterprise. The plant will be crected at once. Reliable information was given out just week that a large silk mill will be established here. The parties interested are from New Jersey. A lot has already been city.

Its Good Work is Reviewed-Dr. Willingham Speaks-The Attendance is

got down to business this morning. It convened at 8 o clock last night, with Dr. Marsh, of Oxford, presiding. The meeting was held in the First Baptist Church, and Dr. Calvin S. Blackweil opened it with prayer and an eloquent

of the committee, submitted a re port, which told of the great work being done at the institution. The grounds and buildings are valued at \$50,000. Or phanage was opened on small scale in 1884. There are now 217 orphans being

f the orphanage system in the old North

a foreign mis lons and the address of eport was the best in the history of

Baptist Women's Missionary Society is in session in Trinity Methodist Church, which was kindly tendered them for their meetings.

Dr. J. William Jones, chaplain at Gen-

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 11.—The State Superintendent of Public Instruction to-

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ville is done and some maps are made.

One of the delightful events of the living.